SENATE BILL 1171 By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-404, relative to the offense of carjacking.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-404, is amended by adding the following new subsection (b) and by relettering present subsection (b) as (c):

(b) If the motor vehicle taken during the commission of a carjacking is impounded, or otherwise stored by law enforcement, whether as evidence or for any other reason, when such vehicle is released the owner of the vehicle shall not be required to pay any expenses incurred in the storage, transportation or impoundment of such vehicle. Such expenses may be taxed as costs in the criminal proceeding.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.